# *The* Ancient Simplicity, *as it was* once *Witneſſed unto by* GEORGE FOX.

FRiend be wiſe and meek, and if any weakneſs thou ſhalt ſee in any, put on Comlineſs on the uncomly part; and take heed of *Judging raſhly*, but mind the Univerſal Spirit, and that which tends to Love and *Edification*: For Love *Edifies*, and there is no Edification, but in the Love which is out of the Striſe: And *bearing Grudge*, againſt any one, take heed of that; For that which doth overcome the Evil in any one, is *Patience*, *Love*, and *Suffering*; And he that doth wrong, the Lord will repay it. It is Love that makes up *Breaches*, but ſtriving about Words makes them wider; Therefore take heed of Striſe, leaſt the Canker enter iuto thy Breaſt, and raiſe up an evil Eye, and eat out the good, and keep thy Spirit reſtleſs out of the Love of God. Therefore that Mind, and live in that which keeps thy Spirit in quietneſs, and peace with God and Friends; Looking at the Witneſs of God in every one, and anſwering the Witneſs of God in every one, from a Lover of thy Soul.

GEORGE FOX.

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